

AGENDA

Sister Cities Commission

Thursday, September 28, 2006
Milpitas City Hall, Committee Conference Room
455 E. Calaveras Blvd.
7:00 PM

- I. Roll Call**
- II. Seating of Alternates**
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. Approval of Minutes, August 24, 2006**
- V. Approval of Agenda**
- VI. Announcements/Correspondence**
- VII. Public Forum**

Members of the audience are invited to address the Commission on any subject not on tonight's agenda. Speakers must supply their name and address for the record. Commissioners cannot respond to issues brought forward, but may request that the matter be placed on the agenda of a future meeting.

VIII. Old Business

1. HUIZHOU CITY, CHINA: SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP: 2007 EXCHANGE SCHEDULE

Background: Huizhou has proposed two possible forms of exchange for 2007. Their proposal is included as an attachment to this agenda along with a copy of the agreement between the two cities.

Recommendation: Determine the nature of the formal exchange program for 2007.

2. DAGUPAN CITY, PHILLIPINES: SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP: EVALUATIONS

Background: Included with the mailed agenda packet are the results of the surveys evaluating the May visit from Dagupan. A visit for Milpitas students to Dagupan is tentatively planned for February 2007.

Recommendation: Receive verbal report from co-leads Grilli and Mateo.

3. TSUKUBA CITY, JAPAN: SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP

Background: This year is the tenth anniversary of the City's sister city relationship with Tsukuba, Japan. 23 delegates from Tsukuba will visit Milpitas on October 3 and 4.

Recommendation: Receive verbal report from lead Commissioner Arthur.

4. EUROPEAN SISTER CITY RESEARCH

Background: Commissioner Arefi is continuing research on the potential for a European sister city.

Recommendation: Receive update from Lead Commissioner Arefi.

5. SISTER CITY COMMISSIONER ROLE & RESPONSIBILITIES

Background: At the August meeting, the Commission agenda'd a discussion of the expectations for Commissioner support of the Sister City program.

Recommendation: Discuss and direct staff if appropriate.

6. 2007 MEETING CALENDAR

Background: The Commission has historically cancelled the November and December meetings because of conflicts with the holidays. In 2007, the November meeting falls on Thanksgiving and the December meeting falls two days following the Christmas holiday.

Recommendation: Cancel the November and December, 2007, Commission meetings.

IX. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Sister City Relationships/Cultural Exchanges:
 - i. Dagupan City, Philippines
 - ii. Huizhou City, China
 - iii. Tsukuba City, Japan
2. European Sister City Research

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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